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**PATENT**

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Hans-Jürgen Bender, et al.  
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**RESPONSE**

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In response to the Office Action dated July 20, 2009, please consider the following: